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Prinie Councillors	Counties	Circuit of Kent	Prinie Councillors
Lo: Ar. Bp. of Canterb. Lo: Trer. Ea: Mars Hall Ea: of Dorsett Ea: of Salisbury Lo: Vice Wimbles. Lo: Bp. of London,	Surry Suffex Kent Essex Hereford London Midds	Baron Vernon Mr Ser. <sup>t</sup> Hitcham The Judges	Lo: Prinie Seale Lo: great Chamblen Ea: of Exeter Ea: of Kellie Lo: Bp. of London Mr. Sec: Oke
Lord. Keeper Ea: of Bridgewater Ea: of Carlile Ea: of Banbury Lo: Vice: Dorchester Lo: Vice: Falkland	Berks Oxon: Gloucester Worcester Stafford Salop Hereford Monmouth	Circuit of Shropshire Justice Jones Justice Whitlock The Judges	Lo: Prinie Seale Ea: of Suffolke Ea: of Holland Mr Trer Mr. Vice Chamblaine.
Lo: Ar. Bp. of Yorke Lo: Vis: Winton Lo: Vis: Wilmoth Lo: Newburgh Mr. Comptroller Mr. of the Wards St. Willm Alexandor	Yorkeshire Lancaster Cumbtrland Northumb. Westmerland	Circuit of the North Justice Campfort Baron Treuer The Judges	Lo: Chamberlaine Ea: of Danby Ea: Morton Lo: Bp. of Winton Lo: Newburgh. Mr. Chan: of the exchequer Mr. of the Rolles

Counties	Circuit of Lincoln	Lords Ec.	Counties	
Northampton Warwick Gloucester Nottingham Derby Lincoln Rutland	Justice Hutton Justice Coke The Judges	Earl of Derby Chamblaine Chief Justice Bridgeman	Chester	
Bedford Huntingdon Cambridge Hertford Essex Middlesex Hampshire Wiltshire Berkshire Bath Somerset Devon Cornwall	Circuit of Norfolk Esq. Chief Justice Hild Justice Harvey The Judges	Esq. Bp. of Durham his temporall Chan.	Durham	
Northampton Warwick Gloucester Nottingham Derby Lincoln Rutland	Circuit of the West county Esq. Just. Richard Bar. Denham The Judges	Chief Justice of Chester during the Vacancy of a President	1 Anglesey 2 Brecknock 3 Carmarthen 4 Carmarvon 5 Cardigan 6 Denbigh 7 Flint 8 Glamorgan 9 Montgomery 10 Merioneth 11 Pembroke 12 Radnor	





Wheras a Commission is made by his Ma<sup>ty</sup> dated y<sup>e</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> day of January  
in y<sup>e</sup> first year of his waigwe wherein these &c. and charges of his Ma<sup>ty</sup>  
previ<sup>ous</sup> Commissions are named Com: It is thought fitt for y<sup>e</sup> better  
execution thereof to make a Repartition of all y<sup>e</sup> w<sup>ch</sup> are named y<sup>e</sup> said Com:  
in this manner, &c. to this end. That whereas y<sup>e</sup> Realm of England is divided  
in to 6. severall civillities, w<sup>ch</sup> are only divided there is allotted six severall  
Shires at y<sup>e</sup> least, & 2 Judges to y<sup>e</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> of those Shires twice a year  
to y<sup>e</sup> Justices of y<sup>e</sup> peace of those shires shal be guided an Accompt  
Monthly to y<sup>e</sup> Justices of y<sup>e</sup> peace of those shires, & y<sup>e</sup> Justices of y<sup>e</sup> peace  
accompt in such tyme to y<sup>e</sup> Judges of y<sup>e</sup> severall civillities, & yet they  
may in y<sup>e</sup> beginning of every tyme give to y<sup>e</sup> same to y<sup>e</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> of  
those Comiss<sup>ions</sup>, And it is likewise thought fitt to assigne six civill  
Commiss<sup>ions</sup> to be taken y<sup>e</sup> accompt from y<sup>e</sup> Judges of every of y<sup>e</sup> said  
civillities, yet this assignation be to no exclusion, but y<sup>e</sup> all y<sup>e</sup> Comiss<sup>ions</sup>  
as they have equall power on all y<sup>e</sup> shires, so they may use it at occasion  
several in every Shire. This distribution of y<sup>e</sup> Comiss<sup>ions</sup> to  
y<sup>e</sup> severall Shires, being but to have y<sup>e</sup> Justices of y<sup>e</sup> severall Shires  
more especially attended and p<sup>ro</sup>vided by persons whom the  
severall Shires are especially allotted, And if any of y<sup>e</sup> Justices or  
Comiss<sup>ions</sup> be cause for it, they may call unto them the  
Judges of great civillities for their better assistance.



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# ORDERS

AND

## DIRECTIONS,

Together

With a Commission for the better  
Administration of Iustice, and more per-  
fect Information of His MAIESTIE;

*How, and by whom the Lawes and Statutes tending to  
the reliefe of the Poore, the well ordering and  
training vp of youth in Trades, and the reforma-  
tion of Disorders and disordered persons,  
are executed throughout the  
Kingdome:*

Which His Royall MAIESTIE hath commanded to be  
Published and Inquired of, by the Body of His Priuie  
Councell, whom He hath made principall  
Commissioners for this  
purpose.



Imprinted at London by ROBERT BARKER,  
Printer to the Kings most Excellent MA-  
IESTIE: And by the Assignes of  
JOHN BILL. 1630.



Printed at London by Robert Parker  
Printer to the Kings most Excellent Majesty  
The Author: Andrew Agnew  
John Hill. 1850.





**A Commission to the Lords,**  
and others of the Priuie Councell, for  
putting in execution of the Lawes and  
Statutes for reliefe of the poore, punish-  
ment of Rogues, and imployment  
of gifts to charitable  
vses, &c.



**HARLES**  
*by the grace of*  
**GOD** King of  
England, Scot-  
land, France, &  
Ireland, Defen-  
der of the Faith, &c.

*To the most Reuerend Father*  
*A 3 in*

in God, Our right trustie and wel-  
beloued Counsellor, **GEORGE**  
Lord Archbishop of Canterbu-  
ry, Primate and **Metropolitane**  
of all England.

And to Our right trusty and wel-  
beloued Counsellor **THOMAS**  
Lord COVENTRIE, Lord Kee-  
per of Our great Seale of Eng-  
land.

And also to the right Reue-  
rend Father in God, Our right  
trusty and welbeloued Counsellor,  
**SAMUEL** Lord Archbishop of  
Yorke, Primate and **Metropoli-  
tane** of England.

And

*And likewise to Our right trusty  
and welbeloued Counsellor RICHARD Lord WESTON, Our  
high Treasurer of England.*

*And also to Our right trustie  
and right welbeloued Cousins and  
Counsellors, EDWARD Viscount  
CONWAY, Lord President of  
Our Priuie Councell.*

**HENRY Earle of Manche-  
ster, keeper of Our Priuie Seale.**

**ROBERT Earle of Lindsey,  
Lord Great Chamberlaine of  
England.**

**THOMAS**

**T H O M A S** Earle of Arundel and Surrey, Earle Marshal of England.

**P H I L I P** Earle of Pembroke and Mountgomery Lord Chamberlaine of Our Household.

**T H E O P H I L V S** Earle of Suffolke, Lord Warden of our Cinque-Ports.

**E D W A R D** Earle of Dorset, Lord Chamberlaine to our dearest Consort the Queene.

**W I L L I A M** Earle of Salisbury.

**W I L L I A M**



5.

**WILLIAM Earle of Exeter.**

**JOHN Earle of Bridge-**  
**water.**

**JAMES Earle of Cathle.**

**HENRY Earle of Holland.**

**WILLIAM Earle of Rad-**  
**bury.**

**HENRY Earle of Danby.**

**WILLIAM Earle of Mor-**  
**ton.**

**THOMAS Earle of Kelly.**

**B EDWARD**

6.

EDWARD *Viscount* VVim-  
bledon.

DVDLEY *Viscount* Dorche-  
ster one of our Principall Secre-  
taries of State.

THOMAS *Viscount* VVent-  
worth, Lord President of our  
Councell in the North parts.

OLIVER *Viscount* Gran-  
dison.

HENRY *Viscount* Falke-  
land.

And likewise to the Rene-  
rend

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*rend Fathers in God our right tru-  
stie and welbeloued Councillors,  
VVILLIAM Lord Bishop of  
London.*

*RICHARD Lord Bishop of  
VVinchester.*

*And also to Our right trustie and  
welbeloued Councillors, EDVVARD  
Lord Newburgh, Chancellour  
of our Duchy of Lancaster.*

*Sir THOMAS EDMVNDs,  
Knight, Treasurer of Our Hou-  
shold.*

*Sir HENRY VANE, Knight,  
B 2 Comp-*

*Comptroller of Our Household.*

*to Sir THOMAS JERMYN,  
Knight, Vice-Chamberlaine of Our  
Household.*

*Sir ROBERT NAVNTON,  
Knight, Master of Our Court of  
Wards and Liveries.*

*Sir JOHN COKE, Knight,  
one other of Our principall Secre-  
taries of State.*

*Sir FRANCIS COTTING-  
TON, Baronet, Chancellor of  
Our Exchequer:*

*to Sir HENRY VANE, Knight,  
Comptroller of Our Household.*

Sir



Sir IULIUS CESAR,  
Knight, Master of the Rolles.

And Sir WILLIAM  
ALEXANDER, Knight, greet-  
ing.

**W**Hereas diuers good  
Lanes and Statutes,  
most necessary for  
these times, haue, du-  
ring the happie Reigne of Queene  
ELIZABETH, and of Our late  
Father of blessed memorie, and  
since Our comming to the Crowne  
of England, been with great wise-  
dome, pietie, and policie, made and  
enacted in Parliament, as well for  
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the charitable reliefe of aged and  
 impotent poore people, not able by  
 their labours to get their livings,  
 and for the training vp of Youth  
 in honest and profitable Trades  
 and Mysteries, by putting them  
 forth to be Apprentices, as also for  
 the setting to worke of idle persons,  
 who being of abilitie to worke, in  
 some kinde or other, doe neuerthe-  
 lesse, refuse to labour, and either  
 wandervp and downe the Citie and  
 Country beg ging, or which is worse,  
 maintaine themselves by filching  
 and stealing; And for the punish-  
 ment of sundry Rogues and Vaga-  
 bonds, and setting of them to worke:  
 And for the suppressing of that o-  
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dious and loathsome sinne of Drunkenesse; And the repressing of idlenesse, the roote of so many evils: The due execution of which, and the like Lawes and Statutes, would prevent and cut off many offences and crimes of high nature.

**A**Nd whereas Wee are informed that the defect of the execution of the said good and politique Lawes and Constitutions in that behalfe made, proceedeth especially from the neglect of dutie in some of Our Iustices of the Peace and other Officers, Magistrates, and Ministers of the Peace, within the severall Counties, Cities and townes

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Corporate of this our Realme of England, and Dominion of VVales, to whom the care and trust of seeing the said Lawes to be put in execution, is by the said Lawes principally cōmitted, which remissenesse & neglect of duty doth grow and arise from this, That by the most of the said Lawes, there are little or no Penalties or Forfeitures at all inflicted upon the said Iustices of Peace, Magistrates, Officers and Ministers for not performing their duties in that behalfe, or if any be, yet partly by reason of the smalnesse thereof, and partly by reason of their power and authoritie in their severall places,



ces, whereby they hold others under them in awe, there are few or no Complaints or Informations made of the neglects and want of due execution of the Offices of the said Iustices and other Ministers; and although the care and diligence of our Iudges and Iustices of Assize be neuer so great, yet by reason of the shortnesse of their Assizes and Sessions in euery County, and multiplicitie of businesse, they neither haue due information of the said neglects, nor in those times, can take such exact courses as were requisite for redresse of such generall abuses and inconueniences so highly importing the publique good of

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this

this our Realme, by reason whereof  
the said Iustices of Peace, Magi-  
strates, Officers and Ministers,  
are now of late in most parts of this  
our Kingdome growne secure in  
their said negligence, and the said  
politique and necessarie Lawes and  
Statutes laid aside or little regar-  
ded as Lawes of small use and con-  
sequence, whereas upon the present  
making of the said Lawes, the same  
being then duely executed, as also  
at this day in some Counties and  
parts of this Our Kingdome, where  
some Iustices of Peace and other  
Magistrates doe duely and dili-  
gently execute the same, there evi-  
dently appeareth great reformati-  
on,

on, benefit and safety to redound to the Commonwealth. And likewise when as there was care taken, and diligence used to haue the Lawes concerning charitable vses, wel executed, and all pious gifts to bee imployed according to the good intent of the Donors, these poore people were better relieved then now they are: All which wee taking into Our Princely care, for the preservation of the common Peace of this Realme, the performance of mens pious intencions in their gifts of Charitie, and the generall good and quiet of Our Subiects.

After long and mature deliberation, finding that there is no bet-

ter wayes or meanes to haue the  
 said Lawes and Statutes put in full  
 execution, then by committing the  
 trust and ouersight thereof to the  
 speciall care and industrie of cer-  
 taine persons of principall Place,  
 Dignitie and Order neere vnto  
 Our Person; who vpon their dili-  
 gent inquirie how the said Lawes  
 and Statutes are put in execution,  
 may be able vpon all occasions from  
 time to time to giue Vs particular  
 information thereof, and by their  
 approoued Wisedomes, experience  
 and Iudgements, giue Directions  
 and Instructions from time to time  
 for the better execution of the said  
 Statutes.

Know

Know ye therefore that we out  
of that long experience and full as-  
surance Wee haue had of the great  
integritie, wisdom, fidelitie and  
industrie of you, and euery of you;  
Haue constituted, authorized and  
appointed you to bee Our Commis-  
sioners, and by these presents doe  
constitute, authorize and appoint,  
and strictly require you, or any foure  
or more of you Our Commissioners  
either by examination vpon Oath,  
or without Oath, or by all and euery  
such good and lawfull meanes as to  
you, or any foure or more of you, in  
your Wisdomes and Iudgements  
shall seeme conuenient and requisite  
from time to time from henceforth



to make Inquirie, and thereby to in-  
 forme your selves how all and every  
 the Lawes and Statutes now in  
 force, which any way concerne the  
 reliefe of impotent or poore people,  
 the binding out of Apprentices, the  
 setting to worke of poore children,  
 and such other poore people, as be-  
 ing able or willing to worke, have  
 no stocke or meanes to imploy them-  
 selves; The compelling and forcing  
 such lazie & idle persons to worke,  
 as being of bodies able and strong,  
 doe neuerthelesse refuse to la-  
 bour; the maintenance, gouerne-  
 ment, and well ordering of houses  
 of Correction and other places  
 for reliefe of poore indigent and  
 im-

impotent people, the Rating, Col-  
 lecting, and imployment of all such  
 Summes, as by the Statute of the  
 three and fourtieth of ELIZA-  
 BETH, are appointed for the re-  
 liefe of Souldiers and Mariners,  
 the punishment or setting on worke  
 of Rogues and Vagabonds: And  
 all Lawes and Statutes now in  
 force for the repressing of Drun-  
 kennesse and Follennesse, the refor-  
 ming of abuses committed in Innes  
 and Alehouses, the abridging of  
 the number of Alehouses, and the  
 well ordering of such as be licensed,  
 the keeping of Watches and Wards  
 due, and how other publique ser-  
 uices for God, the King, and the  
 Com-

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Common-wealth, are put in practice  
and executed.

To which end and purpose, to  
you Our Commissioners, or any sixe  
or more of you, Wee give full power  
and authority from time to time  
hereafter, to give such Directions  
and Instructions, and by all other  
good and lawfull meanes to set  
downe, and give such Orders and  
Directions, as that all and euery  
the sayd Lawes and other necessa-  
ry Statutes may be duely and effe-  
ctually executed, and the Paines  
and Penalties thereof levied and  
imployed, according to the purport  
and true meaning of the same  
Lawes.

And

And whereas no Nation of the world hath provided more liberally, or ordained better Lawes for due employment of Lands, Goods, and Stockes of money, given to charitable uses, then this Our Kingdome of England hath done: Yet neuertheless the said Bounties and charitable Gifts haue not beene employed according to the minde and intent of the Giuers, by reason of some Deuices, Fraudes, Breach of Trust, Aime at priuate Gaine, and partly by the negligence of those that haue beene trusted to performe the same.

Therefore Our Will and expresse Pleasure is, That those Sta-  
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tutes of the thirty ninth and fourtie  
third of Elizabeth, and all other  
Lanes and Statutes concerning  
Hospitals, Almes-houses, Mensons  
de Dieu, and other pious Donati-  
ons, Collections, or publike Gifts  
for the benefit of the Poore, or  
publike Workes, be strictly inquired  
and put in execution. And all  
Deeds of Foundations, Charters,  
Wills, Devises, Dispositions of  
Lands, Goods, Annuities, or Rents,  
giuen, appointed, or intended to any  
the Houses aforesaid, or to any cha-  
ritable use or publike Worke, be di-  
ligently sought out and discovered,  
to the end there may bee an employ-  
ment of all the Profits, according to  
the



the Will and Minde of the Donors or Founders.

And Wee doe further by these Presents, give full power and authority vnto you, or any sixe or more of you, to call vnto you for your assistance in the Premisses, when you shall see it needfull, all, or any of Our Iustices of Assize, as often as you shall see cause, and to give such Directions and Instructions by your Letters, or otherwise, as well to Our said Iustices of Assize, Oyer and Termynner, and Gaole deliuey, for their seuerall Circuits: As also to Our Iustices, Maiors, Bayliffes, and other head Officers, within Cities and Boroughs,

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Clerkes of the Assize and Sessions,  
 and other Officers and Ministers  
 within Our severall Counties and  
 Shires of this Our Realme of Eng-  
 land and Dominion of VVales,  
 and the severall Divisions of the  
 same, as to you, or any fixe or more  
 of you in your wisdomes shall seeme  
 meete and requisite, and shall bee  
 agreeable to the Lawes and Sta-  
 tutes of this Our Realme, for the  
 better execution of the Lawes and  
 Statutes in the time to come. All  
 which Directions, Instructions, and  
 Orders, at any time or times here-  
 after so to be made or taken by you,  
 or any fixe or more of you, by force  
 of these Presents, Wee Will and  
 straitely

Straitely Charge and Command by  
these Presents, to bee sincerely and  
duly from time to time, obeyed, ob-  
serued, and kept, by all and euery  
Officer and Officers, Iustice and  
Iustices, person and persons, to  
whom it shall appertaine.

And We do hereby further wil-  
require you, that you or any foure or  
more of you, doe from time to time  
giue vnto V's particular and true in-  
formation of the care and industry  
of Our Iustices of the Peace in  
their severall Divisions, Maiors,  
Bayliffes, and head Officers, in  
their severall Cities, and Townes  
Corporate, as upon the said inqui-  
rie you shall finde to bee diligent in

putting the said Lawes, Statutes,  
 Orders and Directions in executi-  
 on, That so by their service and  
 your report, they appearing to de-  
 serve well of their King and Coun-  
 trey, may receive not onely good ac-  
 ceptance at Our hands, but all due  
 encouragement and comfort to con-  
 tinue in their well doings; And if  
 contrariwise you shall finde any of  
 Our said Iustices of Peace, or other  
 the persons before named to be neg-  
 ligent and remisse in their severall  
 places and duties touching the per-  
 formance and execution of the said  
 Lawes and Statutes committed to  
 their Charge, or the Orders and  
 Directions given by you, or any  
sixe

fixe of you for the better execution of the said Statutes : Then Our pleasure is, that you doe likewise certifye the names of such as you shall finde foremisse and negligent, that accordingly order may be taken for their remouing and displacing out of the Commission of the Peace, as men unworthy of their said Trust and Places ; As also deseruing to receiue such further Punishment in Our Court of Starchamber, or otherwise as may be by Law inflicted vpon them.

And further wee doe by these Presents giue vnto you, or any fixe or more of you, full power and authoritie to doe and execute all and euery



euery other lawfull and necessarie  
 Act and Acts, thing and things for  
 the better and more due Execution  
 of the Premisses or any of them,  
 as you or any sixe, or more of you,  
 shall in your Wisedomes and Iudge-  
 ments thinke to bee fit and conue-  
 nient.

And because you that are at-  
 tendants vpon Our Person, or o-  
 therwise imployed in Our Seruices  
 cannot at all times bee in Person  
 in the severall Shires of this Our  
 Kingdome, to execute this Our  
 Commission in such sort as we haue  
 appointed it: And for that it will be  
 very fit and requisite for you to  
 haue persons of Trust vnder you,  
 who

who may faithfully assist you in the execution of this Our Commission.

We doe therefore giue vnto you for your better Aide and Assistance, and the better performance of this Our Service, full power and authoritie from time to time, to Assigne, Appoint and Constitute by your writing vnder your Hands and Seales or the Hands and Seales of any sixe, or more of you, such sufficient meete persons as you, or any sixe of you, in your discretions shall from time to time thinke fit and appoint to be your Deputies in euery or any Countie, Citie, Borough or towne Corporate of this Our King-  

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dome of England, or Dominion  
of Wales.

And Wee doe giue vnto such  
persons, so to be by you deputed, as-  
signed, and appointed, as aforesaid,  
or to any two, three, or more of them  
full power and authority, to doe and  
execute in our said Counties, Cities,  
Boroughs, and Townes Corpo-  
rate, aswell within Liberties as  
without; All and euery thing and  
things, which by vertue of this Our  
Commission, is to you our principall  
Commissioners intrusted and com-  
mitted, or which you, or any of you  
Our Commissioners, if you were  
personally present, might or ought  
to doe; They your said Deputies  
pursuing

pursuing such directions and instructions from time to time as you or any sixe of you shall giue vnto them in writing: And the better to enable them so to doe, you shall deliuer to such deputies as you shall make in euery Countie, Citie, or Towne corporate as aforesaid, a duplicate, or true transcript of this Our Commission, subscribed with your hands, or under the hands of sixe of you at the least.

And We doe further by the tenour of these presents, will and command, and doe giue full power and authority to Our Lord Chancelour, or Lord Keeper of Our great Seale for the time being, to cause seuerall

Commissions to be made forth, un-  
 der Our great Seale of England,  
 to such persons of trust and quality,  
 as any sixe, or more of you shall  
 from time to time nominate unto  
 him, and shall so signifie unto him  
 by writing under your hands to the  
 same tenour and effect, in euery ma-  
 teriall thing, as in these Our Letters  
 Patens is expressed, with a clause  
 to bee inserted in euery such Com-  
 mission and Commissions, comman-  
 ding such persons so to be nomina-  
 ted, that they certifie all their pro-  
 ceedings thereupon to you Our fore-  
 said Commissioners, or to any sixe  
 of you, at such times and places,  
 as you, or any sixe of you shall ap-  
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In witnesse whereof, We haue cau-  
sed these Our Letters to bee  
made Patents: Witnesse Our  
selfe at VVestminster the fift  
day of Ianuary, in the sixt  
yeere of Our Reigne.





## *Preface.*

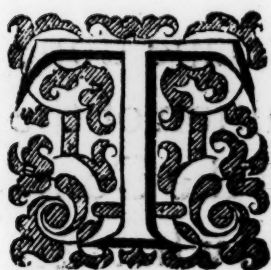
**F**Or the better administration of Iustice, and more perfect Information of His Maiesty, how, and by whom the Lawes and Statutes tending to the reliefe of the poore, and the reformation of disorders and disordered persons are executed throughout the Kingdome; His Royall Maiestie hath Commanded this Commission aforesaid, together with these Orders and Directions following, to be published by the Body of His Priuie Councell, whom Hee hath made principall Commissioners for this purpose.

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# ORDERS.

I.



**T**HAT the Iustices  
of Peace of euery  
Shire within the  
Realme doe diuide  
themselues, and allot amongst  
themselues what Iustices of the  
Peace, and what Hundreds  
shall attend monethly at some  
certaine places of the Shire.  
And at this day and place, the  
High Constables, Petty-Con-  
stables, and Churchwardens,  
and Ouerseers for the Poore of  
those

## Orders.

those Hundreds, shall attend the said Iustices. And there inquirie shall be made, and Information taken by the Iustices, how euery of these Officers in their feuerall places haue done their duties in Execution of the Lawes mentioned in the Commission annexed, and what persons haue offended against any of the said Lawes.

### I I.

**W**Here neglect or defect is found in any of the said Officers, in making their Presentments, condigne punishment to be inflicted vpon them

## Orders.

them by the Iustices according to Law.

### III.

**W**Hen offences are presented at one meeting, then the penalties of the Lawes offended, to bee leauied and brought to the Iustices at their next meeting.

### IIII.

**W**Hen the penalties are leauied, the Iustices are to take care that the same be employed accordingly as by the Statutes are appointed.

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V.



## Orders.

v.

**F**Or encouragement to men that doe informe and prosecute others for offending against these Lawes or any of them, libertie to bee left to the Iustices of Peace that doe meete to reward the Informer or Prosecutor, out of part of the money leauied vpon his, or their Presentments, or Information.

*Though the Statute doe not prescribe this, yet this is not against the Law that giues the penaltie to the Poore,*

## Orders.

*Poore, which penaltie nor  
no part thereof would else  
come unto the poore but by  
this meanes.*

### VI.

**T**Hat the seuerall Iustices of  
Peace of euery Shire, doe  
once euery three moneths cer-  
tifie an account in VVriting to  
the high Sheriffe of the Coun-  
tie, of their proceedings in this  
way, whom they haue puni-  
shed, what they haue leuyed,  
and how they haue imploy-  
ed it.

## Orders.

### VII.

**T**Hat the High Sheriffe within foureteene dayes after this Account deliuered, do send the same ouer to the Iustices of Assize for that County, or to one of them, and the Iustice or Iustices that receiue the same, to certifie it in the beginning of euery Terme next after, to the Lords Commissioners. And if any of the Iustices of Peace shall faile to make such account to the Sheriffe, then the Sheriffe shall certifie such default to the Lords Commissioners.

### VIII.

# Orders.

## VIII.

**T**He Iustices of Assize in e-  
uery Circuite, are to en-  
quire, and specially to marke,  
what Iustices of the Peace are  
carefull and diligent in executi-  
on of these Lawes, and the Di-  
rections giuen, and who are neg-  
ligent and remisse. And what  
other things of note happen in  
their Circuits, to make report  
thereof to the King, vpon their  
returne from their Circuits e-  
uery halfe yeere.



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## DIRECTIONS.

I.

**T***hat the Lords of  
Manors and Towns,  
take care that their  
Tenants, and the pa-  
rishoners of euery Towne may bee  
releeued by worke, or otherwise at  
home, and not suffered to straggle,  
and beg vp and downe in their pa-  
rishes.*

II.

**T***hat Stewards to Lords and  
Gentlemen, in keeping their  
Leetes*

## Directions.

*Leetes twice a yeere, doe specially enquire vpon those Articles that tend to the reformation, or punishment of common offences and abuses: As of Bakers and Brewers, for breaking of Assizes: Of Fore-stallers, and Regraters: Against Tradesmen of all sorts, for selling with vnder weights, or at excessive prizes, or things vnwholesome, or things made in deceit: Of people, breakers of houses, common theeves, and their receiuers; haunTERS of Tauerns, or Alehouses; those that goe in good clothes, and fare well, and none knowes whereof they liue; those that bee night-walkers; builders of Cottages, and takers in of Inmates;*

# Directions.

*Inmates; offences of Victuallers;  
Artificers, Workemen and Labourers.*

## III.

**T**Hat the poore children in e-  
uery Parish be put forth Ap-  
prentices to husbandry, and other  
handy-crafts, and money to be rai-  
sed in the Parishes for placing  
them, according to the Law; and  
if any party shall refuse to take the  
said Apprentice, being put out accor-  
ding to the Law; such party as shall  
refuse to take the said Apprentice,  
to be bound ouer to the next quarter  
Sessions, or Assises, and there to be  
G bound

## Directions.

*bound to his good behaviour, or otherwise ordered, as shall be found fit.*

### IIII.

**T***Hat the Statute of Labourers, for retaining of Servants, and ordering of Wages, betwixt the Servant and the Master be not deluded by private Contracts, before they come to the Statutes, and the common fashion of Essoyning many absent, not to bee allowed of course, as is vsed.*

### V.

**T***Hat the weekly taxations for reliefe of the Poore, and  
other*

## Directions.

other purposes mentioned in the Statute of 43. Eliz. bee in these times of scarcitie raised to higher Rates in euery Parish, then in times tofore were vsed. And Contributions had from other Parishes, to helpe the weaker Parishes, especially from those places where depopulations haue beene, some good Contribution to come, for helpe of other Parishes. And where any money or Stocke hath beene, or shall bee giuen to the reliefe of the Poore in any Parish, such Gift to be no occasion of lessening the Rates of the Parish.



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### VI.

**T**hat the petty Constables in all Parishes, be chosen of the abler sort of Parishioners, and the office not to bee put vpon the poorer sort, if it may be.

### VII.

**W**atches in the night, and Warding by day, and to bee appointed in euery Towne and village, for apprehension of rogues, and vagabonds, and for safety and good order.

### VIII.

# Directions.

## VIII.

**A**N D because it is found by  
dayly experience, that the re-  
missenesse and negligence of petty-  
Constables is a great cause of the  
swarming of Rogues and Beg-  
gers: therefore the High Consta-  
bles in their severall Divisions are  
specially to be charged to looke vnto  
the petty-Constables, that they vse  
diligence in their Offices, and the  
High Constables to present to the  
Iustices of Peace, the defaults of  
the petty Constables, for not punish-  
ing the Rogues, or not presenting  
those that are Relieuers of the  
Rogues and Beggars, the Law  
G 3      inflicting

## Directions.

*inflicting a Penalty vpon the Constable for not punishing them, and vpon such party as shall relieue them.*

### IX.

**I***F in any Parish there be found any persons that liue out of Seruice, or that liue idly and will not worke for reasonable wages, or liue to spend all they haue at the Alehouse, those persons to bee brought by the High Constables, and petty Constables to the Iustices at their meetings, there to bee ordered and punished as shall be found fit.*

X. That

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**T**hat the Correction houses in all Counties may bee made adioyning to the common Prisons, and the Goaler to be made Gouvernour of them, that so he may imploy to worke Prisoners committed for smal Causes, & so they may learne honestly by labour, and not live idly and miserably long in Prison, whereby they are made worse when they come out, then they were when they went in, and where many houses of Correction are in one County, one of them at least to bee neere the Goale.

### XI.

# Directions.

## XI.

**T***Hat no man harbour Rogues in their Barnes , or Out-houseings. And the wandring persons with women and children, to giue account to the Constable or Iustice of Peace, where they were marryed, and where their children were Christened; for these people liue like Saluages, neither marry nor bury nor Christen, which licentious libertie make so many delight to be Rogues and Wanderers.*

## XII.



# Directions.

## XII.

**A**Nd because the High wayes  
in all Counties of England  
are in great decay, partly so growne,  
for that men think there is no course  
by the Common Law, or Order  
from the State to amend the same:  
And the worke dayes appointed by  
the Statute are so omitted, or idly  
performed, that there comes little  
good by them. Therefore the Justices  
of Peace at these monethly  
meetings, are to take speciall care  
of: and not onely to cause the Sur-  
veyors of the High wayes to pre-  
sent the same; but by their owne  
vieme, to informe themselves, that

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## Directions.

at the next Quarter Sessions after  
euery meeting, they may present all  
such neglects, and offences (as upon  
their owne view) and the Of-  
fenders there to bee pu-  
nished according  
to Law.





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